

REMARKS

Claims 2-14 remain in the application for consideration of the Examiner with Claim 1 standing cancelled.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding objections and rejections are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and following remarks.

Claims 1-14 was objected to because of informalities.

By the instant amendment, Claims 2, 3, 5, 6, 11, and 12 have been amended to take into consideration the helpful comments of the Examiner.

Claim 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Imazeki.

The cancellation of this claim obviates the rejection of this claim.

Applicants appreciate the indication that if Claims 2-5 were rewritten to overcome the objection and to include the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims, these claims would be allowable.

Applicants respectfully submit that the objections have been overcome and Applicants have placed Claims 2, 3, and 5 in independent form including the limitations of Claim 1.

Additionally, Applicants appreciate the indication that if Claims 6-14 were rewritten or amended to overcome the rejections would be allowable.


It is respectfully submitted that Claims 6-14 have been amended to overcome the rejection and consequently they are allowable.

In light of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

While it is believed that the instant response places the application in condition for allowance, should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned in order to expeditiously resolve any outstanding issues.

To the extent necessary, Applicant petitions for an Extension of Time under 37. CFR 1.136. Please charge any fees in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Texas Instruments Incorporated, Account No. 20-0668.

Respectfully submitted,


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